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SUBJECT: YUGOSLAV IMPRESSIONS OF LDC CONFERENCE ON RAW
MATERIALS IN DAKAR

REF: DAKAR 867 AND PREVIOUS; BELGRADE 6339, 0101, 0405

1. SUMMARY: YUGOSLAV DELEGATE STATES GOY BELIEVES
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DAKAR CONFERENCE ATTAINED "SUCSESSES OF FUNDAMENTAL

IMPORTANCE" IN SOLIDIFYING LDC UNITY. HE HIGHLIGHTS AGREEMENT TO NEGOTIATE WITH DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ON ALL RAW MATERIALS, BASED ON COMMON LDC PLATFORM; AGREEMENT ON RAW MATERIAL STOCKPILING SCHEME WITH SUBSTANTIAL OIL PRODUCER FINANCIAL SUPPORT; AGREEMENT TO PROMOTE AND LINK PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS; AND AGREEMENT TO PROLONG MANDATE OF GENEVA GROUP OF LDC'S WHICH PREPARED "INTEGRATED APPROACH" FOR DAKAR. SOURCE ANXIOUS TO EMPHASIZE "NONCONFRONTATIONAL" CHARACTER OF DAKAR DECISIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. MOUSTAFA BIJEDIC, OFFICER IN CHARGE OF UNCTAD AFFAIRS, FOREIGN SECRETARIAT, WHO WAS MEMBER OF YUGOSLAV DELEGATION, HAS BRIEFED US ON GOY VIEWS CONCERNING ECONOMIC RESULTS OF CONFERENCE. BRIEFING WAS IN LINE WITH COMMENTS OF FEC MEMBER JANKO SMOLE, HEAD OF YUGOSLAV DELEGATION, AS REPORTED IN TANJUG AND BELGRADE DAILIES OF FEBRUARY 9 AND 12.

3. BIJEDIC STATED THAT DAKAR CONFERENCE WAS "VERY SUCCESSFUL" IN ADVANCING COOPERATION AMONG NON-ALIGNED AND OTHER LDC'S. HE READ FROM HANDWRITTEN NOTES FOUR DECISIONS WHICH, HE SAID, GOY CONSIDERS OF FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE.

4. MOST IMPORTANT, HE REMARKED, WAS AGREEMENT THAT PROJECTED OIL PRODUCER-OIL CONSUMER CONFERENCE SHOULD BE REPLACED BY LDC-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES CONFERENCE ON "ALL MAJOR RAW MATERIALS." DELEGATES OF NON-ALIGNED AND OTHER LDC'S WILL MEET IN NEW YORK VERY SOON, HE STATED, TO DECIDE WHICH COUNTRIES WILL REPRESENT THEM IN THIS CONFERENCE, AND TO DEVELOP A COMMON PLATFORM. POSSIBLE EFFECT OF THIS DECISION ON FORTHCOMING PRELIMINARY OIL PRODUCER-CONSUMER CONSULTATION "WAS NOT PRECISELY CONSIDERED" AT DAKAR, BIJEDIC STATED. HE EXPRESSED "PERSONAL VIEW" THAT SEPARATE OIL PRODUCER-CONSUMER NEGOTIATIONS COULD IN ANY CASE TAKE PLACE IN FRAMEWORK OF OVERALL CONFERENCE ON MATERIALS, BUT LDC OIL PRODUCERS AND LDC OIL CONSUMERS WOULD APPEAR WITH UNITED POSITION. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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5. YUGOSLAVIA AND SOME OTHER COUNTRIES WERE SUCCESSFUL IN INSISTENCE THAT LDC-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES DIALOGUE MUST BE PLANNED AND CARRIED OUT IN SPIRIT OF COOPERATIVE SEARCH FOR EQUITABLE SOLUTIONS - NOT CONFRONTATION.

6. NEXT MOST IMPORTANT DECISION, BIJEDIC SAID, WAS AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH SPECIAL FUND TO SUPPORT STOCK-

PILING SCHEME FOR MANY BASIC COMMODITIES, AND "OPEC COUNTRIES' ASSUMPTION OF OBLIGATION" TO GIVE MAJOR (BUT UNSPECIFIED) FINANCIAL SUPPORT. WORKING PARTY, COMPOSED OF SIX REPRESENTATIVES EACH FROM AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA, IS TO WORK OUT "MODALITIES" FOR FUND (YUGOSLAVIA - HE REMARKED MOROSELY - WILL OBVIOUSLY NOT HAVE CHANCE FOR MEMBERSHIP).

7. CALL FOR CREATION OF ADDITIONAL PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATIONS (FOR IRON ORE, PHOSPHATES, OTHER PRODUCTS) AND FOR COORDINATION AMONG ALL OF THESE WAS ANOTHER DECISION OF FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE. ASSOCIATIONS ARE NOT TO OPERATE AS CARTELS, BIJEDIC STRESSED, BUT TO NEGOTIATE WITH CONSUMERS ON EQUITABLE, LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENTS AS TO SUPPLY AND PRICES.

8. FINALLY, DAKAR DECISION TO CONVERT AD HOC GENEVA GROUP WHICH DEVELOPED "INTEGRATED APPROACH" BY DAKAR INTO PERMANENT ORGANIZATION IS CONSIDERED SIGNIFICANT BY YUGOSLAVIA (WHICH WAS MEMBER OF GROUP). GROUP IS TO HAVE IMPORTANT FUTURE RESPONSIBILITIES IN DEVELOPMENT OF ENTIRE LDC PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS.

9. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS, BIJEDIC STATED THAT RAW MATERIALS - MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS INDEXING SCHEME ALONG LINES SET OUT IN GENEVA GROUP'S "INTEGRATED APPROACH" RECEIVED BASIC BLESSING AT DAKAR, BUT THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION AS TO SPECIFICS.

10. PET YUGOSLAV SCHEME OF NON-ALIGNED SOLIDARITY FUND FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DID NOT FIGURE IMPORTANTLY IN DAKAR DISCUSSIONS, BIJEDIC SAID. GOY IS STILL HOPEFUL, HE SAID, THAT THIS ARRANGEMENT - LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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11. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE (A) EMBASSY DAKAR REPEAT TO BELGRADE OF ITS 651 REPORTING ON DAKAR DECLARATION AND ACTION PROGRAM, AS WELL AS (B) REPEAT OF ANY REPORT US MISSION GENEVA MAY HAVE PREPARED ON "INTEGRATED APPROACH" DEVELOPED BY AD HOC GENEVA GROUP, AND TO BE ON DISTRIBUTION FOR GENEVA REPORTING ON EIGHTH SESSION OF UNCTAD COMMISSION FOR RAW MATERIALS. TOON

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